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This change includes all material written in CAP items 51-03(E); 52-03(E) and 57-03(E) and civilian editorials C03068; C03070 and C03071. Insert the attached pages and remove the corresponding pages. Remove page C2E-4-1. This cover page replaces the Change 459 cover page.

BRIEF OF REVISION

These are the major changes made by Change 460:

C2002-C; Appendix E. Updates City Pair FAQ #5 and corrects City Pair FAQ #12.

<u>C2204</u>. Clarifies OMB policy for class of service in a two cabin aircraft. Specifies that a traveler who uses first-class air accommodations, although eligible for only coach-class, must pay the difference rather than paying just the next lower-class of accommodations (premium other than first-class).

<u>C3150-B16</u>; <u>C3151-B28</u>. Requires that a statement be added to the remarks section on travel authorizations for travel to foreign locations and back to the U.S. indicating that the transportation of exotic pets are required by law to have a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) certification.

Appendix A. Corrects the paragraph reference within the definition of HHG.

Appendix U. Authorizes R&R leave all the way to the airport nearest the leave location for members and employees supporting ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM in Afghanistan, Bahrain, Djibouti, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, United Arab Emirates, and Yemen.

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<u>Third</u>, GSA works in partnership with the airline industry and respects their concerns. For example, because the fares are so attractive, the airlines insist that only Federal employees traveling on official business be allowed to use them. With a few limited exceptions, no one else can use the Government rates. GSA understands and accepts this in order to bring you, the Federal Traveler, the Best Value in the Sky.

2. What are the advantages of the program?

- No advance purchases required,
- No minimum or maximum length of stay required,
- Fully refundable tickets and no charge for cancellations or changes,
- YCA seating not capacity controlled, (As long as there is a coach class seat on the plane, the traveler may purchase it),
- No blackout dates,
- Locked-in fares facilitate travel budgeting,
- 70% average savings over regular walk-up fares, and
- Fares are priced on one-way routes permitting agencies to plan multiple destinations.

3. Who can use it?

The City Pair Program is so attractive that usage is strictly limited. There are a few exceptions, but in general, only Federal or military employees on official travel, may use the program with an appropriate form of payment (Government travel charge card or centrally-billed account or GTR).

4. Why can't contractors use it? It would save the government a lot of money!

GSA recognizes that contractors often sit next to Federal employees, work on the same projects as Federal employees, and travel with Federal employees. However, contractors are not Federal employees. All of the major airlines have made it clear to GSA that because the contract rates are so low and the terms so favorable, the airlines would drop out of the city pair program rather than extend the contract rates to contractors. GSA has made the business decision not to jeopardize the program nor the \$2 billion savings it generates for taxpayers. GSA cautions agencies that the purchase of contract fare tickets on behalf of Government contractors is a misuse of the city pair program and could jeopardize its future success.

*5. Do I have to use the contract carrier? Won't any airline do?

Federal and military travelers on official business are required to use the contract carrier unless a specific exception applies. This required use is the incentive necessary to obtain airline participation in the city-pair program and allows the airlines the business volume necessary to offer discounted rates. Choosing not to use the contract carrier because of personal preference, frequent flyer clubs, etc., is a violation of the contract.

Commercial airfares can be highly volatile, so an exception to the mandatory use requirement allows government travelers to take advantage of any low commercial fares offered by non-contract carriers, if the fares are also offered to the general public. Non-contract fares that are offered only to government travelers (sometimes called "DG" fares) are not included in this exception. Also, if the contract carrier for the particular market offers the lower fare, you still must use them, but at the lower fare. Travelers that use this exception would have to abide by the many restrictions that typically go along with lower commercial fares. Restrictions on discounted commercial fares usually include; non-refundability, change or cancellation fees, minimum or maximum stay requirements or extended calendar blackout periods. Additional exceptions to the use of the contract carrier are:

a. Space or a scheduled contract flight is not available in time to accomplish the purpose of your travel, or use of contract service would require you to incur unnecessary overnight lodging costs which would increase the total cost of the trip (See par. C2002-A4a regarding space for pets); or

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- b. The contractor's flight schedule is inconsistent with explicit policies of your Federal department or agency with regard to scheduling travel during normal working hours; or
- c. Rail service is available, and such service is cost effective and is consistent with mission requirements.
- d. Smoking is permitted on the contract flight and the nonsmoking section of the aircraft for the contract flight is not acceptable to the traveler.

6. If I have been authorized to use a business class fare, do I have to use the contract carrier?

Yes, the City Pair Program contracts are mandatory for coach and business-class service. If business class service has been authorized in accordance with the JTR, then use of contract business class fares is mandatory.

7. What makes it the best value? Isn't it just low bid?

Absolutely not. Awards are made after measuring both quality of service and price. This allows an award to be made to a higher priced carrier if that carrier has superior service.

8. How is Quality of Service Evaluated?

A minimum service standard is set for each city pair. This minimum applies to the number of flights per day in each direction (the range is between 2 and 8), a maximum of one connection, a maximum ground time (90 minutes domestic, 180 minutes international) and limits on circuity (how far out of the way the carrier can take you.)

To determine best value, a technical evaluation is conducted to evaluate the quality of each offeror's service based on the following considerations:

- a. Time and Type of Service: This factor looks for flights offered throughout the day. Nonstop service, at convenient times, scores best under this factor.
- b. Flight Time: This factor looks for the shortest total flight times, based on each carrier's routing. Nonstop service scores best under this factor.
- c. Number and Type of Flights: This factor considers the number of flights offered throughout the day, in order to provide the traveler with several choices. Carriers with lots of nonstop flights score best under this factor.
- d. Jet Service: This factor gives preference to jets over propeller aircraft. All these factors are weighed against price and a best value decision is made.

9. Why isn't every award for nonstop service?

Even though nonstop service is heavily favored, it is not always available or the best value. Some of the reasons that connect service is awarded are as follows:

- There is no nonstop carrier for a specific route.
- The nonstop carrier did not offer on the city pair. Some carriers have so much traffic on certain routes that they do
 not want the Government business for the route.
- The nonstop carrier did not meet the minimum requirements as outlined in the RFP. For example, the nonstop flights might be too late at night to be beneficial for our Federal traveler. The non-stop carrier has offered an unreasonably high price.
- The connect service carrier has offered a fare so low that it was the best overall value, even considering all the advantages of nonstop service.

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10. Can't GSA make a carrier add nonstop service?

No. Even though the City Pair Program is huge, with sales well over \$1 billion per year, it still represents only about 2% of the airlines business. Unless the commercial traffic warrants it, a carrier will not add a new route or improved service levels for the Government.

11. Can you require the airlines to offer smoke free international flights?

GSA is buying a commercial service under the same terms and conditions as other buyers. Thus, GSA does not have the authority to require the airlines to offer smoke free flights. However, the Department of Transportation is working closely with the airline industry to encourage them to offer smoke free flights. There is an exception in the contract to the use of the contract carrier when smoking is permitted on the contract flight (see paragraph 5, above, last exception listed).

*12. Can I use a contract fare for personal travel? What if the personal travel is being taken in conjunction with official government travel?

No. Use of contract fares is limited to official travel only. If personal travel is being taken in conjunction with official government travel, the contract fares cannot be used for that portion of the trip that is personal. NOTE: Gov't funded travel to and from RAT leave locations and when ordered TDY while on leave is official travel and therefore contract fares may be used to and from this leave location (see JTR, pars. C4162 and C4440 for RAT).

Example:

Travel authorization states the official travel itinerary as:

From: Atlanta. GA

To: San Francisco, CA and

Return to Atlanta, GA

City-pair one-way contract fare from Atlanta, GA, to San Francisco, CA, is \$251 with United Airlines. Round trip totals \$502.

For personal reasons, employee wants to go to Chicago for several days resulting in the following:

From: Atlanta, GA To: Chicago, IL From: Chicago, IL

To: San Francisco, CA and

Return to Atlanta, GA

Since the itinerary portion from Atlanta to Chicago and Chicago to San Francisco is for personal reasons, the traveler is not authorized to use the city-pair contract fares for these trip portions. Commercial fares are applicable to this trip portion with the maximum cost to the Government of \$251. The city-pair contract fare is applicable only to the trip portion from San Francisco, CA, to Atlanta, GA, with United Airlines at \$251.

*NOTE: The traveler is responsible for any additional costs when, for personal convenience, a circuitous route is used or the traveler interrupts a direct travel route (e.g., by taking an unauthorized overnight en route). Reimbursement in this case is limited to the transportation cost by a usually traveled direct route on an uninterrupted basis (e.g., \$502).

13. Can I combine two contract fares to save money?

If there is a contract fare for the route, the answer is no. If there is no contract fare for the route, the answer is yes.

14. How do I know whether or not there is a contract fare?

Contract fares are identifiable because they normally carry the fare designator YCA. You can ask your Travel Management Center (TMC) or (Contracted) Commercial Travel Office (CTO) or check on the following city pair website: http://pub.fss.gsa.gov/citypairs/.

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15. Why does the Government have to pay the Airline Passenger Excise tax? Isn't it exempt from taxes?

The Federal Government is often exempted from state and local taxes. However, the airline passenger excise tax is a federal tax and the Federal Government is subject to it.

16. I live in a city with multiple airports. What is the rule regarding what airport I must use when traveling on official Government business?

Travelers can use the airport which best suits their needs in cities with multiple airports, unless otherwise prohibited by their agency. Cities with multiple airports include, Chicago, Dallas/Fort Worth, Detroit, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco and Washington, DC.

17. The topic refers to a new program for FY02. If fares are booked "early" the Gov't receives a discount to the normal City Pairs Fare. But my question is: How early is early? Thank you!

We are encouraging the Government travelers to book their reservations as early as possible. Once you have decided that a trip is necessary, the reservation should be made. The earlier the reservation the better the chances are that you will receive the additional savings (capacity control fares).

For more information on GSA's Airline City Pairs Program, see the GSA website at http://www.fss.gsa.gov/citypairs/, or contact one of the following PoCs below. Only those without internet access should call.

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Mr. Thomas Uberto Contracting Officer (703) 305-7822 based on the availability of slumber coach sleeping accommodations. "Reasonably available" does not include any accommodations with a scheduled arrival time later than the employee's required reporting time at the duty site, or with scheduled departure time earlier than the time the employee is scheduled to complete the duty.

- 2. <u>Travel by Employee/Dependent with a Disability</u>. The use of first-class train accommodations may be authorized/approved when necessary to accommodate an employee's/dependent's disability or other physical impairment, and the employee's/dependent's condition is substantial in writing by competent medical authority. The use of first-class train accommodations also may be authorized/approved for an attendant authorized under par. C6552, item 1, to accompany the employee/dependent when the employee is authorized use of first-class accommodations and requires the attendant's service en route.
- 3. <u>Security Reasons</u>. The use of first-class train accommodations may be authorized/approved when exceptional security circumstances require such travel. Exceptional security circumstances include, but are not limited to travel by:
 - a. an employee whose use of coach-class train accommodations would endanger the employee's life or Government property.
 - b. agents in charge of protective details who are accompanying individuals authorized to use first-class train accommodations, and
 - c. couriers and control officers accompanying controlled pouches or packages and a lower premium class is not available.
- 4. <u>Inadequate Foreign Coach-class Train Accommodations</u>. The use of first-class train accommodations may be authorized/approved when coach-class train accommodations on a foreign rail carrier do not provide adequate sanitation or health standards.
- D. Extra-fare Train Service. Travel by extra-fare trains may be authorized/approved when such use is advantageous to the Government or is required for security reasons. The use of the lowest class of service available on any AMTRAK Acela or Metroliner train Service (including Acela Express) is advantageous to the Government. 'Business' class is the lowest available class of service on the Amtrak Acela Express or Metroliner train service. 'Coach' class is the lowest available class on Amtrak Regional. AMTRAK Acela and Metroliner first-class accommodations may be authorized/approved only as provided in par. C2203-C.

*C2204 COMMERCIAL AIR TRANSPORTATION

A. <u>General</u>. Travel by common carrier air transportation is generally the most cost efficient and expeditious way to travel. *Arrangement of official transportation through an available CTO is mandatory.* See par. C2206-B for reimbursement for personally procured transportation (whether properly or improperly personally arranged) in lieu of using Government or Government-procured transportation under this Part.

B. Service Class

- 1. General. Government policy is that:
 - a. travelers must use coach-class airline accommodations for all official business travel;
 - b. commands and travelers should determine travel requirements in sufficient time to use coach-class accommodations;
 - c. first-class airline accommodations may be used only as permitted in par. C2204-B5c;
 - d. premium-class other than first-class (e.g., business-class) airline accommodations may be used only as permitted in par. C2204-B5d;

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- e. authorization for any premium-class accommodations use should be made in advance of the travel unless extenuating/emergency circumstances make advance authorization impossible. In these cases, the traveler must obtain written approval from the appropriate authority as soon as possible after the travel; and
- f. When an airline flight has only two classes of service, the higher class of service, regardless of the term used in its identification, is "first class." A traveler must use the 'least expensive unrestricted fare' if available, in the 'back' (economy) cabin of a two-cabin aircraft or the traveler must qualify for a first-class seat for the Government to pay for a seat in the 'front' (first-class cabin) of the two-cabin aircraft. NOTE: Some airlines have only restricted fares in the 'economy' cabin of two-cabin aircraft. If that is the case, a restricted fare in the 'economy' cabin must be used unless the traveler qualifies for a first-class seat in the front cabin.

A specific justification or paragraph reference number detailed to the "specific" reason for travel should be on the travel authorization for premium-class travel (e.g., JTR, par. C2204-B5d(5)), (representative of premium-class other than first-class travel); JTR, par. C2204-B5c(2) (representative of first-class). (See par. C3052 for an exception concerning Blanket Travel Authorizations.)

- 2. Officials Who May Authorize/Approve Premium-class Air Accommodations Use. With the exception of the Commanding Officer or the Head of an Agency, only persons senior to, or independent of, the traveler may authorize/approve the use of premium-class other than first-class (e.g., business class) airline accommodations if one or more of the criteria in par. C2204-B5d is met.
- 3. Authorization/Approval for First-class Accommodations. Only the Secretary of Defense, Deputy Secretary of Defense, or other SECDEF-designated authority may authorize/approve use of first-class air accommodations at Government expense. The delegation/re-delegation of authority to authorize/approve firstclass air transportation at Government expense is held to as high an administrative level as practicable to ensure adequate consideration and review of the circumstances requiring the cited need for first-class air accommodations. Authorization/approval may be considered only when the criteria in par. C2204-B5c are met.
- Requirements for Premium-class Accommodations use. Authorization for premium-class air accommodations use should be made in advance of travel unless extenuating circumstances or emergency situations make advance authorization impossible. If advance authorization cannot be obtained, the traveler must obtain written approval from the appropriate authority at the earliest possible time. When a travel authorization (see par. C3150-B16(c)) authorizes premium-class air accommodations (by including the authority and authorization source (memo/letter/message/etc., including date and signatory position for firstclass accommodations), the specific conditions met in pars. C2205-B5c or C2205-B5d must be annotated on the authorization and appropriate Government transportation documents must be annotated with the same information. When a travel authorization does not contain authority for premium-class air accommodations use and no other class of service is available, a transportation document may be issued for premium-class service when the document-issuing agent annotates the document in accordance with transportation procedural guidance that "Tickets for premium-class air accommodations were issued as only premium-class service was available between authorized origin and destination points."
- 5. Traveler Responsibility and Documentation in Connection with Premium-class Accommodations. The traveler must certify on the travel voucher the reasons for premium-class air accommodations use. Specific authorization/approval, including which of the specific conditions was met, must be attached to, or stated on, the travel voucher and kept as part of the record. When regularly scheduled flights between the authorized origin and destination (including connection points) provide only premium-class accommodations, the traveler must certify these circumstances on the voucher. In the absence of specific authorization/approval, the traveler is financially responsible for all additional costs resulting from premium-class air accommodations use. Additional costs are the difference between the cost of the premium-class of transportation used and the transportation class for which the traveler was eligible.

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- a. <u>First-Class Air Accommodations Use</u>. Circumstances justifying the use of first-class air accommodations are limited to those listed in pars. C2204-B5b and C2204-B5c.
- b. <u>Employee Certification Required</u>. First-class accommodations may be used when regularly scheduled flights between the authorized origin and destination points (including connection points) provide only first-class accommodations, and the employee certifies this circumstances on the travel voucher.
- c. <u>Authorization/Approval Required</u>. (OMB Bulletin 93-11, April 19, 1993) The appropriate authority as cited in par. C2204-B3 may authorize/approve first-class air accommodations when:
 - (1) coach-class airline accommodations or premium-class other than first class airline accommodations are not reasonably available. For purposes of this paragraph, "reasonably available" means a class of accommodations other than first-class airline accommodations available on an airline scheduled to leave within 24 hours of the employee's proposed departure time, or scheduled to arrive within 24 hours of the employee's proposed arrival time. "Reasonably available" does not include any accommodations with a scheduled arrival time later than the employee's required reporting time at the duty site, or with a scheduled departure time earlier than the time the employee is scheduled to complete the duty.
 - (2) first-class airline accommodations are necessary because the employee/dependent is so handicapped or otherwise physically impaired that other accommodations cannot be used, and such condition is substantiated by competent medical authority. The use of first-class airline accommodations also may be authorized for an attendant authorized under par. C6552-1, to accompany the employee/dependent, when the employee/dependent is authorized use of first-class airline accommodations and requires the attendant's service en route.
 - (3) first-class airline accommodations are needed when exceptional security circumstances require such travel. Exceptional security circumstances include, but are not limited to travel by:
 - (a) an employee whose use of a class of accommodations other than first-class would endanger the employee's life or Government;
 - (b) agents in charge of protective details who are accompanying individuals authorized to use first-class accommodations; and
 - (c) couriers and control officers accompanying controlled pouches or packages and a lower premium-class is not available.

<u>NOTE</u>: First-class accommodations may be used without authorization/approval only in two circumstances:

- a. When regularly scheduled flights between the authorized origin and destination (including connection points) provide only first-class accommodations. When this is the case, the transportation officer/agent must make an appropriate entry on the travel order or other travel-related document as appropriate.
- b. When a non-Federal source makes full payment for the transportation services in advance of travel (see the Joint Ethics Regulation (JER), DoD 5500.7-R, at http://www.defenselink.mil/dodgc/defense ethics/ethics regulation/index.html.)
- d. <u>Business-class Transportation Accommodations Use</u>. Circumstances justifying use of business-class transportation accommodations are limited to those listed in pars. C2204-B5d(1) through C2204-B5d(8). Use of business-class transportation accommodations may be authorized/approved when:

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- (1) Regularly scheduled flights between the authorized origin and destination points (including connection points) provide only premium-class airline accommodations, and the employee certifies this circumstance on the travel voucher.
- (2) Space is not available in coach-class airline accommodations on any scheduled flight in time to accomplish the purpose of the official travel, which is so urgent it cannot be postponed.
- (3) Necessary to accommodate a traveler's/dependent's disability or other physical impairment, if the condition is substantiated in writing by competent medical authority. Premium-class other than first-class airline accommodations use also may be authorized for an attendant, who is authorized to accompany the attended traveler, when that traveler is authorized premium-class other than first-class airline accommodations use and requires the attendant's service en route.
- (4) The accommodations are required for security purposes or because exceptional circumstances, as determined by the local transportation officer or other appropriate authority in conjunction with the authorizing/order-issuing official, make the use essential to the successful performance of the mission.
- (5) Coach-class airline accommodations on foreign carriers do not provide adequate sanitation or meet health standards and foreign flag air carrier service use is authorized/approved in accordance with the Fly America Act. See par. C2204-C for rules governing U.S. flag carrier use.
- (6) The accommodations would result in an overall savings to the Government based on economic considerations (e.g., the avoidance of additional subsistence costs, overtime, or lost productive time) that would be incurred while awaiting coach-class accommodations.
- (7) The traveler's transportation is paid for in full by a non-Federal source in accordance with the Joint Ethics Regulation (JER), DoD 5500.7-R, at http://www.defenselink.mil/dodgc/defense ethics/ethics regulation/index.html.
- (8) travel is between authorized origin and destination points (one of which is OCONUS) and the scheduled flight time (including airport stopovers and plane changes) is in excess of 14 hours. A traveler is disqualified from using business-class accommodations at Government expense if (a) a 'stopover' en route is an overnight stay, (b) a rest stop en route is authorized, or (c) an overnight rest period occurs at the TDY location before beginning work. Use of business-class accommodations must not be common practice. Business-class accommodations must be used only when exceptional circumstances warrant. Approval authorities must consider each request for business-class service individually and carefully balance good stewardship of scarce resources with the immediacy of mission requirements. (See NOTE 1 in par. C1060).

NOTES:

- (a) If business-class seating is provided at Government expense, the traveler is not eligible for a rest period upon arrival at the duty site or a rest stop en route - at Government expense.
- (b) Scheduled flight time is the time between the scheduled aircraft departure from the airport serving the PDS/TDY point and the scheduled aircraft arrival at the airport serving the TDY point/PDS.
- (c) On TDY travel, the 14-hour rule only applies en route to the TDY site. On a return flight to the PDS, a business-class transportation authorization should not be provided.
- (d) When business-class accommodations are authorized/approved, use of business-class fares provided under the Contract City Pair Program is mandatory.

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C. U.S. Flag Air Carrier (Certificated Air Carrier) Use

- 1. <u>Requirements</u>. Available U.S. flag air carriers shall be used for all commercial foreign air transportation of persons/property when air travel is funded by the U.S. Government (49 U.S.C. §40118 and B-138942, March 31, 1981). Except as provided in par. C2204-C3, U.S. flag air carrier service is available if:
 - a. the carrier performs the commercial foreign air transportation required, and
 - b. the service accomplishes the mission, even though:
 - (1) a comparable/different kind of service by a noncertificated air carrier costs less,
 - (2) noncertificated air carrier service is preferred by the service/traveler,
 - (3) noncertificated air carrier service is more convenient for the service/traveler, or
 - (4) the only U.S. flag air carrier service available between points in the U.S. and points outside the U.S. requires boarding/leaving the carrier between midnight and 6 a.m., or travel spanning those hours (the traveler may have a brief non-work period not to exceed 24 hours, for "acclimatization rest" at destination as well as per diem during the rest period when the destination is other than the traveler's PDS) (56 Comp. Gen 629(1977)).
- 2. Exceptions. When one of the following exceptions exists, U.S. flag air carrier service is not available.
 - a. Transportation is provided under a bilateral/multilateral air transportation agreement to which the U.S. Government and the government of a foreign country are parties, and which the Department of Transportation has determined meets the requirements of the Fly America Act.
 - b. No U.S. flag air carrier provides service on a particular leg of the route, in which case foreign air carrier service may be used, but only to or from the nearest interchange point on a usually traveled route to connect with U.S. flag air carrier service.
 - c. A U.S. flag air carrier involuntarily reroutes a traveler's travel on a foreign air carrier; (if the traveler is given a choice as to substitute service, a U.S. flag air carrier should be selected if it does not unduly delay the travel) (59 Comp. Gen. 223 (1980)).
 - d. Foreign air carrier service would be three hours or less, and U.S. flag air carrier use would at least double en route travel time.
 - e. Foreign air transportation is paid fully directly, or later reimbursed by a foreign government (e.g., under Foreign Military Sales (FMS) case funded with foreign customer cash or repayable foreign military finance credits), an international agency or other organization. (B-138942, March 31, 1981 and 57 Comp. Gen. 546 (1978)); NOTE: See Security Assistance Management Manual, Chapter 2, par. 20202-C3e of the DoD 5105.38-M, when travel is on Security Assistance Business.
 - f. If a U.S. flag air carrier offers nonstop/direct service (no aircraft change) from origin to destination, U.S. flag air carrier service must be used unless such use would extend travel time, including delay at origin, by 24 hours or more.
 - g. If a U.S. flag air carrier does not offer nonstop/direct service (no aircraft change) between origin and destination, U.S. flag air carrier must be used on every portion of the route where it provides service unless, when compared to using a foreign air carrier, such use would:

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- (1) increase the number of foreign OCONUS aircraft changes made by 2 or more; or
- (2) extend travel time by at least 6 hours or more; or
- (3) require a connecting time of 4 hours or more at a foreign OCONUS interchange point.
- h. The order-issuing authenticating official determines that a U.S. flag air carrier cannot provide the needed air transportation, or cannot accomplish the mission.
- i. Foreign air carrier use is necessary for medical reasons, (including use to reduce the number of connections and possible delays when transporting persons needing medical treatment).
- j. Foreign air carrier use is required to avoid an unreasonable safety risk (e.g., terrorist threats). <u>NOTE</u>: Approval based on an unreasonable safety risk must be in writing on a case-by-case basis. Determination and authorization/approval of foreign air carrier use based on a threat against a U.S. flag air carrier must be supported by a travel advisory notice issued by the Federal Aviation Administration and the Department of State. Determination and authorization/approval of foreign air carrier use based on a threat against Government employees or other travelers must be supported by evidence of the threat(s) that forms the basis of the determination and authorization/approval.
- k. Only first class accommodations can be furnished by a U.S. flag air carrier but less than first-class accommodations are available on a foreign air carrier (60 Comp. Gen. 34 (1980)).
- l. The total delay, including delay in initiation of travel from a TDY point, in en route travel and additional time at the TDY station before the traveler can proceed with assigned duties, involves more than 48 hours per diem costs in excess of per diem that would be incurred if noncertificated service was used (56 Comp. Gen. 216 (1977)).
- m. The only U.S. flag air carrier service between foreign OCONUS points requires boarding/leaving the carrier between the hours of midnight and 6 a.m., or travel spanning those hours, and a noncertificated carrier is available which does not require travel at those hours (the traveler may travel by noncertificated carrier to the nearest practicable interchange point on a usually traveled route to connect with a U.S. flag air carrier) (56 Comp. Gen. 629 (1977)).
- n. The traveler's transportation is paid for in full by a non-Federal source in accordance with the Joint Ethics Regulation (JER), DoD 5500.7-R, at http://www.defenselink.mil/dodgc/defense ethics/ethics regulation/index.html.
- 3. <u>Nonavailability Documentation</u>. When the order-issuing official determines U.S. flag air carriers are unavailable, commercial foreign air transportation on a noncertificated air carrier may be authorized/approved. Documentation explaining why U.S. flag air carrier service is not available must be provided to the traveler. Endorsements on the travel orders and/or Government travel procurement document, made in accordance with Service regulations, are acceptable. The documentation should include the name of traveler, foreign flag vessel(s) or air carrier(s) used, flight identification no(s), origin, destination and enroute points, date(s), justification, and authorizing/approving official's title, organization and signature.

4. Air Travel Schedule Selection

- a. <u>General</u>. Schedules maximizing U.S. flag air carrier use must be selected. Schedule selection is made using the following guidelines:
 - (1) when U.S. flag air carrier service is available at the point of origin, schedules providing service by a usually traveled route, between origin and destination, and originating with a U.S. flag air carrier must be used;

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- (2) when U.S. flag air carrier service is not available at origin or an interchange point, noncertificated air carrier service should be used only from point of origin to the nearest practicable interchange point on a usually traveled route, between origin and destination, to connect with a U.S. flag air carrier;
- (3) when schedule selection leaves the traveler at a location from which there is no choice but to use noncertificated air between the U.S. and another continent, the travel should be rerouted so that available U.S. flag air carriers are used.
- b. Selecting a Schedule. The following example applies the guidelines shown in par. C2204-C4a. when selecting a schedule.

EXAMPLE

Assuming there are no constraints on the departure or arrival time, a traveler requiring transportation between Ankara, Turkey, and Stuttgart, Germany, can accomplish required travel by any of the four schedules shown (schedules are for illustrative purposes only and do not reflect actual airline schedules):

Schedule I
Monday/Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday/Sunday

	<u>City</u>	<u>Time</u>	Air Carrier
Leave:	Ankara	0830	Foreign
Arrive:	Frankfurt	1210	
Leave:	Frankfurt	1325	Foreign
Arrive:	Stuttgart	1410	

Schedule II

	Wednesday/	ıy	
	<u>City</u>	<u>Time</u>	Air Carrier
Leave:	Ankara	0800	U.S.
Arrive:	Rome	1100	
Leave:	Rome	1650	Foreign
Arrive:	Stuttgart	1940	•

Schedule III Wednesday/Friday/Saturday

	<u>City</u>	<u>Time</u>	Air Carrier
Leave:	Ankara	0800	U.S.
Arrive:	Istanbul	0855	
Leave:	Istanbul	1430	U.S.
Arrive:	Frankfurt	1620	
Leave:	Frankfurt	1650/2120	Foreign
Arrive:	Stuttgart	1730/2200	_

Schedule IV Daily (except Saturday)

	Bully (except Suturday)				
	<u>City</u>	<u>Time</u>	Air Carrier		
Leave:	Ankara	1130	Foreign		
Arrive:	Istanbul	1220			
Leave:	Istanbul	1430	U.S.		
Arrive:	Frankfurt	1620			
Leave:	Frankfurt	1650/2120	Foreign		
Arrive:	Stuttgart	1730/2200	_		

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Under the guidelines in par. C2204-C4a, the example schedule choice is limited to schedules II and III, because service is provided by a usually traveled route and originates with U.S. flag air carrier service. Schedule III provides U.S. flag air service from Ankara via Istanbul to Frankfurt, while U.S. flag air service is available under schedule II between Ankara and Rome. Schedule III should be selected because it uses U.S. flag air service to the farthest practical interchange point on a usually traveled route. If the schedules in this example were limited to those shown in schedules I and IV, schedule IV would be selected since it clearly involves more travel by U.S. flag air carriers than does schedule I (See 55 Comp. Gen. 1230 (1976)).

- 5. <u>Reimbursement</u>. There is no reimbursement (for any leg of the journey) for transportation cost when unauthorized/unapproved foreign air carrier service is used. If U.S. flag air carrier service is available for an entire trip and the traveler uses a foreign air carrier for any part or the entire trip, the transportation cost on the foreign air carrier is not payable (41 CFR §301-10.143).
- D. <u>Carrying Dangerous Weapons Aboard Commercial Aircraft</u>. When compatible with the mission, any person in DoD whose official duties require carrying a dangerous weapon while a passenger aboard any aircraft operated by an air carrier shall confidentially notify the airline station manager or other appropriate airline official of this fact before boarding the aircraft. Upon request from the airline official, the person will present appropriate credentials for identification purposes. Authorization for an employee to carry the weapon will conform to the regulations of the separate departments.

C2205 COMMERCIAL SHIP TRANSPORTATION

- A. <u>General</u>. Commercial ship transportation for transoceanic travel may be authorized/approved only as prescribed in par. C2205-B. An employee and/or dependents may have travel by car ferry authorized/approved as specified in par. C2166. Without authorization/approval, reimbursement is based on constructed air transportation costs.
- B. <u>Authorization to Use Commercial Ship</u>. Commercial ships use may be authorized/approved by the order-issuing/authenticating official when:
 - 1. the travel can be completed only by ship;
 - 2. the travel can be performed more economically or efficiently by ship; or
 - 3. competent medical authority certifies that the traveler is medically unable to use air transportation and ship transportation is the only reasonable alternative.
- C. <u>Ship Accommodations</u>. Employees who travel by ship at Government expense must use the least costly first-class ship accommodations. More costly first-class ship accommodations may be used, at Government expense, only as permitted in par. C2205-D.
- D. Authorization/Approval for More Costly First-class Ship Accommodations Use
 - 1. <u>Authorization/Approval</u>. Use of more costly first-class accommodations under the circumstances in par. C2205-E may be authorized/approved by the authorizing/order-issuing official.
 - 2. <u>Requirements</u>. Authorization for more costly first-class ship accommodations use should be made in advance of the travel unless extenuating circumstances or emergency situations make authorization impossible. In these cases, the employee must request written approval from the appropriate authority as soon as possible after the travel.
- E. <u>More Costly First-class Ship Accommodations Use</u>. (OMB Bulletin 93-11, April 19, 1993) More costly first-class accommodations may be authorized/approved only when:

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- 1. least costly first-class accommodations are not available;
- 2. necessary to accommodate an employee's/dependent's disability or other physical impairment, if the condition is substantiated in writing by competent medical authority. More costly first-class accommodations use also may be authorized/approved for an attendant, who is authorized under pars. C6552, item 1, to accompany an attended traveler when the attended traveler is authorized more costly first-class accommodations use and requires the attendant's service en route;
- 3. there are exceptional security requirements. Examples are:
 - a. an employee whose use of least costly first-class accommodations would entail danger to the employee's life or Government property;
 - b. agents of protective details accompanying individuals authorized to use more costly first-class accommodations; and
 - c. couriers and control officers accompanying controlled pouches or packages and a lower premium class is not available.

F. U.S. Ship Registry Use

- 1. <u>General</u>. U.S. flag ships shall be used except as provided in pars. C2205-F2 and C2205-F3 (46 U.S.C. §1241(a)). This applies to all official travel and accompanied baggage transportation without regard to the source of funds used to pay (57 Comp. Gen. 546 (1978)). When ship transportation is authorized/approved and a U.S. flag ship cannot provide the transportation service required, transportation may be obtained aboard a foreign flag ship (B-190575, May 1, 1978).
- 2. <u>U.S. Flag Ship Use Impracticable</u>. When U.S. flag ships use would seriously interfere with/prevent the performance of official business, the order-issuing official may authorize/approve foreign flag ship use. Documentation required by par. C2204-B3 explaining why U.S. flag ship use is impracticable must be provided to the traveler to justify transportation reimbursement. Order endorsements are acceptable.
- 3. <u>U.S. Flag Ship Unavailable</u>. When U.S. flag ships are not available, the transportation/other appropriate officer may authorize/approve foreign flag ship use. Documentation required by par. C2204-B3 is used explaining why U.S. flag ships are unavailable, and must be provided to the traveler to justify transportation reimbursement. Order endorsements are acceptable.
- 4. <u>Determination Required</u>. The authorizations/approvals referred to in pars. C2205-F2 and C2205-F3 must not be based on inconvenience in securing transportation on U.S. flag ships, short delays in awaiting transportation, arranging circuitous routes for traveler convenience, or similar reasons.

C2206 REIMBURSEMENT FOR USE OF OTHER THAN AUTHORIZED TRANSPORTATION MODE OR ROUTE

- A. <u>General</u>. This paragraph applies when reimbursement is limited by costs of travel by the authorized transportation mode over a usually traveled route (18 Comp. Gen. 447 (1938); 21 id. 116 (1941)). If there is doubt as to the applicable transportation mode for constructive cost purposes, an appropriate transportation officer must determine the applicable mode. Except for travel by POC for personal convenience, when a traveler travels by a route or transportation mode other than that authorized in a travel order, reimbursement is subject to the conditions and restrictions stated in this paragraph.
- B. <u>Government and Government-procured Air Transportation Available</u>. When Government air transportation use is required under par. C2001-D3 through C2001-D6, but a traveler elects to travel by a different transportation mode at personal expense, reimbursement for the transportation cost shall not exceed the amount that would have been paid for the available Government air transportation.

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NOTE: Government air transportation is not available when:

- 1. an authorizing/order-issuing official determines that Government air transportation use for travel involves a total delay (including delay in initiation of travel from a PDS or TDY point, en route travel, and additional time at a TDY station before a traveler can proceed with assigned duties) of more than 48 hours;
- 2. Government air transportation use would involve circuitous travel or undue inconvenience; or
- 3. travel via aircraft is inadvisable medically.

If appropriate Government transportation and Government-procured transportation are both available, but an employee or dependent elects to travel at personal expense, the lowest priced transportation mode is the reimbursement limit. If only Government-procured transportation is available, its cost is the reimbursement limit.

- C. Government and Government-procured Air Transportation Not Available. When Government and Government-procured air transportation are not available, or Government air transportation is not available, reimbursement for the transportation used shall not exceed the least expensive unrestricted fare available for scheduled commercial air service over the usually traveled direct route between the origin and destination. If travel by aircraft is medically inadvisable, reimbursement is limited to the least expensive unrestricted fare for first-class passenger accommodations on a commercial ship.
- D. <u>Use of Non-certificated Air Carriers or Ships of Foreign Registry.</u> There is no reimbursement (for any leg of the journey) for transportation cost when unauthorized/unapproved foreign carrier (or ship) service is used. If U.S. Flag carrier or ship service is available for an entire trip and the traveler uses a foreign carrier or ship for any part or all of the trip, the transportation cost on the foreign carrier or ship *is not payable* (41 CFR §301-10.143).
- E. <u>Computation</u>. Except as prohibited in pars. C2206-C and C2206-D, reimbursement for travel by a transportation mode or route other than that authorized is limited to the cost the Government would have paid for the authorized transportation mode and route, or the cost actually paid by the traveler, whichever is less. The authorized transportation mode means the transportation mode that would have been furnished in accordance with this Volume. Constructive reimbursement for taxicab fares, plus tip or other appropriate local transportation facility expense, shall not exceed the amount that would have been incurred by the authorized transportation mode. The per diem allowance is limited to the amount that would have been payable for travel by the authorized transportation mode. The constructive cost for transportation and the normal scheduled travel time for the carrier shall be obtained from the appropriate transportation officer or other authentic tariff source.
- F. <u>Dependent Travel Limited to the Cost of Government-offered Air Transportation</u>. The reimbursement of dependent travel is subject to the limitation on the travel order, if any, under par. C2001-D1.

C2207 ARRANGING OFFICIAL TRAVEL

A. CTO Use

- 1. <u>Mandatory Policy</u>. It is DoD *mandatory policy* that employees use available CTOs to arrange official travel, including transportation and rental cars.
- 2. <u>Service Regulations</u>. See DoD component regulations for CTO use information.
- 3. Failure to Follow Regulations
 - a. Commands/units are expected to take appropriate disciplinary action when employees and/or authorizing/order-issuing officials fail to follow the regulations concerning CTO use (see par. C1070).

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- b. Disciplinary action should be for *willful* violations and may be in the form of counseling (oral/written), or other personnel means. Action must not be through refusal to reimburse. See par. C2207-A4 below for exceptions when reimbursement is *not* allowed.
- 4. Reimbursement Not Allowed. Reimbursement shall not be allowed when the employee does not follow the regulations for foreign flag carriers (see par. C2200-H).

B. Requirements

- 1. When making travel arrangements, travelers should use the following:
 - a CTO (see Appendix A),
 - b. in-house travel offices, or
 - General Services Administration (GSA) Travel Management Centers (TMCs).
- 2. All travel arrangements must be made in accordance with:
 - Traffic DoDD 4500.9 (Transportation and Management) http://web7.whs.osd.mil/ at dodiss/directives/dir2.html;
 - b. DoDI 4500.42 (DoD Passenger Transportation Reservation **Ticketing** Services) and at http://web7.whs.osd.mil/dodiss/instructions/ins2.html; and
 - Service regulations.
- C. Foreign Ship or Aircraft Transportation. Transportation on foreign ships or aircraft shall not be authorized or approved unless the conditions in par. C2204-B or C2205-F are met.

D. Transportation Reimbursement

- 1. CTO Available. When a CTO is available but the traveler arranges transportation through a non-contract travel agent or common carrier direct purchase, reimbursement is limited to the amount the Government would have paid if the arrangements had been made directly through a CTO.
- 2. CTO Not Available. When the authorizing/order-issuing official certifies that a CTO was/is not available to arrange transportation, reimbursement is paid for the actual cost of the authorized or approved transportation NTE the least expensive unrestricted commercial coach fare that meets mission requirements.

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(k) Include a statement indicating the reason for nonuse of a particular transportation mode that may otherwise appear to be the most advantageous to the Government when the authorizing/order-issuing official has determined that an employee should not travel via a particular transportation mode (ex. travel by air (ocean ferry or Chunnel) is precluded for medical reasons). This is done to justify travel reimbursement based on the transportation mode authorized on the travel authorization, and actually used, instead of the constructed cost of the otherwise apparently most advantageous mode to the Government. See par. C2001-A1. (Ex: Air travel is apparently the most advantageous transportation mode but air travel is medically precluded. The authorization should contain a statement similar to "Air transportation is medically precluded and must not be used for this traveler. Rail transportation authorized.")

- (l) Travel at No Expense to the Government -- This travel authorization is issued in the DoD's interest but voluntary (permissive) in nature. *If used, it must result in no cost to the U.S. Government.* The employee is financially responsible for all travel and transportation expenses. *No accounting information should be placed on the travel authorization.* There is no penalty if the traveler chooses not to use this travel authorization; however, the authorizing/order-issuing official should be notified without delay that this travel authorization has not been used.
- (m) If a conference lodging allowance (a pre-determined allowance up to 125% of applicable locality lodging per diem rate (see pars. C4950-M & C4950-N)) is authorized, include the statement: "Conference lodging allowance NTE 125% (or other lesser amount) of the applicable per diem lodging rate for (location) is authorized by (insert the authority making the determination). Insert the actual pre-determined allowance in lieu of 125% if a lesser amount is authorized.
- (n) Include the dollar amount/call for authorized calls home (see par. C4705).
- (o) Costs for Expenses not Fully Covered by Non-Federal Source State on the travel authorization that the traveler is being reimbursed for the difference between the full Government allowances and the payment from the non-Federal source if it is determined in advance of travel that payment from a non-Federal source (see the Joint Ethics Regulation (JER), DoD 5500.7-R, at http://www.defenselink.mil/dodgc/defense_ethics/ethics_regulation/index.html) covers some but not all of the allowable travel and subsistence expenses. See Chapter 4, Part L to determine the applicable maximum allowances.
- *(p) Include the following statement on authorizations for travel to foreign locations and back to the U.S.
- <u>NOTICE</u>: Travelers transporting exotic pets are required by law to have a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) certification before transporting the pets to foreign locations or back to the U.S. For information, contact the FWS at: 1-800-358-2104. Travelers returning to the U.S. with exotic pets should call (703) 358-2104 before transporting the pet(s). For a FWS fact sheet, go to: http://international.fws.gov/pdf/pe.pdf. For an application for travel with pet birds and other CITES-Listed species go to: http://forms.fws.gov/3-200-46.pdf.
- Item 17, Travel-Requesting Official (Title and Signature) other than the official signing in block 20. The travel-requesting official must be other than either of the officials signing in blocks 18 and 20 when travelers are permitted to be travel requesting officials for their own travel authorizations.
- Item 18, Travel-Approving/Directing Official (Title and Signature) other than the official signing in block 17.
- Item 19, Accounting Citation--Show the fiscal data in accordance with Service regulations and include the travel computation unit (location/address) to which travel vouchers must be forwarded (faxed/mailed). The fundapproving official (see Appendix A) certifying to funds availability signs in the lower right corner of this block.

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Item 20, Authorizing/Order-Issuing Official (Title and Signature). Other than the official signing in block 17, show the travel authorization-issuing organization and address in addition to the title and signature of the authorizing/order-issuing official.

Item 22, Travel Authorization Number--Show the identifying number and/or symbol assigned by the issuing office.

NOTE: The actual signatures of the travel-requesting official (item 17), the travel-approving/directing official (item 18) and fund-approving official (item 19) are not required when the signatures are captured on another official document. That document must be kept on file by the authorizing/order-issuing official (item 20) for audit purposes. While actual signatures are not required in items 17, 18 and 19, the responsible official's name and title must be legibly indicated in the appropriate block. The signature of the authorizing/order-issuing official (item 20) may be transmitted electronically by fax after signature. An electronic signature that meets the security and requirements established by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) for electronic data interchange may be used. (This signature can include a digital signature discussed by the Comptroller General in B-261647, 26 June 1995, which must be (1) unique to the signer, (2) under the signer's sole control, (3) capable of being verified, and (4) linked to the data in such a manner that if the data is changed, the signature is invalidated.)

C. <u>Distribution</u>. See par. C3057.

C3151 PERMANENT DUTY TRAVEL

A. <u>General</u>. The REQUEST/AUTHORIZATION FOR DOD CIVILIAN PERMANENT DUTY OR TEMPORARY CHANGE OF STATION (TCS) TRAVEL (DD FORM 1614) is used as a request and authorization for all official PCS/TCS travel by employees and their families. *(See par. C3105-B.)* DD Form 1614 is available for printing and/or downloading from the Internet through the Washington Headquarters Service DoD Forms Program at the following website: http://web1.whs.osd.mil/icdhome/forms.htm.

NOTE 1: DD Form 1614 must not be used for contractor's travel.

<u>NOTE 2</u>: An employee's per diem generally stops on the date the employee receives notice of a PCS to a location at which the employee is on TDY. DoD components must carefully review the circumstances of the employee's TDY assignment before issuing notification of the PCS to avoid imposing per diem costs on the employee that should be borne by the Government (see par. C4113). An employee should be permitted to complete a TDY assignment, return to the PDS from the TDY assignment to arrange for residence sale, dependent(s) and/or HHG transportation, and then perform PCS travel to the new PDS to report for duty on the effective date of the PCS.

B. <u>DD Form 1614 Preparation</u>. DD Form 1614 is ordinarily self-explanatory. Special explanatory material for completing certain items on DD Form 1614 follows:

NOTE: See par. C3101 for specific information required on all travel authorizations.

Item 6, Retirement Code--Insert the employee's applicable retirement code from Block 30 of employee's most current SF-50. If unsure of the correct retirement code, the employee should contact the servicing personnel office. See OPM website http://www.opm.gov/retire/ for more information on retirement.

Item 7, Releasing Official Station and Location, or Actual Residence--Enter the name and location of the releasing PDS, if a transfer, or the address shown on the transportation agreement as the actual residence, if first duty station travel

Item 10, Travel Purpose--Other. When this block is checked, please explain in Item 28, Remarks or Other Authorizations.

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Item 13a, Round Trip Travel for Househunting--Indicate if round trip travel to seek a permanent residence is, or is not, authorized. If authorized, insert in Item 13b the number of calendar days for which travel is authorized.

- Item 16, Other Authorized Expenses--The travel advance is for advances from the Government to the traveler (computed by the appropriate finance/disbursing activities) and NOT for authorizing ATM advances against the Government-sponsored contractor-issued travel charge card which should be addressed in Item 20, Remarks or Other Authorizations. The amount of any PCS allowances advance in Item 16 must be computed in accordance with Service finance policy.
- Item 22, Accounting Citation--Show fiscal data in accordance with regulations of the DoD component concerned. *Please ensure that funds are obligated against the PCS/TCS travel authorization*. For Transportation Account Codes (TACs) for DoD personnel see DoD 4500.9-R, Volume 2. TAC codes: Army A2PC, Air Force F750/FCHP, and Navy and Marine Corps see website *http://192.67.251.41/tac ing/tac menu.html*.

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- Item 23, (Travel-)Approving(/Directing) Official—See Appendix A. Show the name of the individual who directs and approves/disapproves travel requests, and vouchers prior to claim settlement in addition to that individual's title and signature.
- Item 24, Authorizing/order-issuing Official--See Appendix A. Show the authorization-issuing organization and address in addition to the title and signature of authorizing/order-issuing official.
- Item 27, Claimant Forward Completed Claim to the Following Address--In this block the losing/gaining activity should provide the address to where the employee should submit their claim for final disbursement.
- Item 28, Remarks or Other Authorizations--In addition to the type of notation suggested within the box, this item may be used to show any other pertinent information. Statements may be included to clarify any special instructions such as:
 - (a) When round trip travel is authorized for seeking a permanent residence, include the authorized transportation mode under this item.
 - (b) If TDY is authorized en route, state the purpose, duration of duty assignment, location, and any pertinent conditions.
 - (c) When the authorizing/order-issuing official has determined that an employee and or dependents should not travel via a particular transportation mode (ex., travel by air (ocean ferry or Chunnel) is precluded for medical reasons), include a statement indicating the reason for nonuse of a particular transportation mode that may otherwise appear to be the most advantageous to the Government to justify travel reimbursement based on the transportation mode authorized on the travel authorization and actually used instead of the constructed cost of the otherwise apparently most advantageous mode to the Government. See par. C2001-A1. (Ex: Air travel is apparently the most advantageous transportation mode but air travel is medically precluded. The travel authorization should contain a statement similar to "Air transportation is medically precluded and must not be used for this traveler. Rail transportation authorized.")
 - (d) List the amount authorized for ATM advance against the Government-sponsored contractor-issued travel charge card.
 - (e) Include the issuing CPO's name, address, and PoC with phone number and DSN (including area code for each).

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(f) When the cost of paper tickets (when electronic tickets are available) is authorized.

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(g) When travel is by POC (specifically by privately owned boat) and not advantageous to the Government, a statement must be placed on the travel authorization that Government-procured air transoceanic travel is authorized and travel time and reimbursement for travel at personal expense (including per diem) does not exceed what would have been authorized for the available Government-procured air transportation (plus appropriate per diem). See par. C2165.

- (h) For CONUS HHG moves state if "Actual Expense Method" or "Commuted Rate" Method is authorized. (See par. C5150) (FTR §302-7.301).
- *(i) Include the following statement on authorizations for travel to foreign locations and back to the U.S.

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- C. Distribution. See par. C3057.
- D. Privacy Act Statement. This subparagraph implements the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. §552a) by adding a Privacy Act Statement for "Request/Authorization for DoD Civilian Permanent Duty or Temporary Change of Station (TCS) Travel" (DD Form 1614). The form may be reproduced locally and made available to the individual supplying data shown on DD Form 1614. The form also is available for printing and/or downloading from the Internet through the Washington Headquarters Service DoD Forms Program at the following website: http://web1.whs.osd.mil/icdhome/forms.htm.

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PART O: TEMPORARY CHANGE OF STATION (TCS) (FTR §302-3, subpart E)

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C5725	SEPARATION FROM GOVERNMENT SERVICE (FTR §302-3.423, §302-3.424, §302-3.425) A. After Long-term Assignment B. Before Long-term Assignment Completion

- *1. PBP&E needed and not needed for the performance of official duties at the next or a later destination (PBP&E that are needed but may cause the HHG total weight to exceed 18,000 pounds optionally may be shipped administratively (see par. C5154-C1) and therefore must be weighed separately and identified on the inventory at origin as PBP&E.);
- 2. spare parts for a POV (see the definition in this Appendix) and a pickup tailgate when removed;
- 3. integral or attached vehicle parts that must be removed due to high vulnerability to pilferage or damage (e.g., seats, tops, winch, spare tires, portable auxiliary gasoline can(s), and miscellaneous associated hardware);
- 4. consumable goods for employees ordered to locations listed in Appendix F;
- 5. vehicles other than POVs (such as motorcycles, mopeds, hang gliders, golf carts, jet skis, and snowmobiles);
- 6. *(Effective 13 September 2002)* boats (and their associated trailer) that can fit into a moving van (e.g., canoe, skiff, dinghy, scull, kayak, rowboat, sailboat, outboard/inboard motorboat); and
- 7. *(Effective 19 February 2002)* ultralight vehicles (defined in 14 C.F.R. Sec 103 as being single occupant; for recreation or sport purposes; weighing less than 155 pounds if unpowered or less than 254 pounds if powered; having a fuel capacity NTE 5 gallons; airspeed NTE 55 knots; and power-off stall speed NTE 24 knots).

B. HHG do not include:

- 1. personal baggage when carried free on commercial transportation;
- 2. automobiles, trucks, vans and similar motor vehicles; airplanes; mobile homes; camper trailers; horse trailers; and farming vehicles (see Chapter 11 for POV shipment);
- 3. live animals including birds, fish and reptiles;
- 4. cordwood and building materials (B-133751, November 1, 1957 and B-180439, September 13, 1974);
- 5. HHG for resale, disposal or commercial use;
- 6. privately owned live ammunition (B-130583, May 8, 1957); and
- 7. boats (other than those in A6 above); and
- 8. hazardous articles including explosives, flammable and corrosive materials, poisons, propane gas tanks. See DoD 4500.9-R, DTR, Part IV, for examples of hazardous materials.
- C. Law or carrier regulations may prohibit commercial shipment of certain articles not included in B. These articles frequently include articles:
 - 1. liable to impregnate or otherwise damage equipment or other property (e.g., home canned items; liquid articles that are highly susceptible to breakage or leakage);
 - 2. that cannot be taken from the premises without damage to the article or the premises (e.g., bookcases built into walls);
 - 3. that are perishable (including frozen foods), or that require refrigeration, or that are perishable plants unless;
 - (a) Shipment is to be transported not more than 150 miles and/or delivery accomplished within 24 hours from the time of loading,
 - (b) No storage is required, and
 - (c) No preliminary or en route services (e.g., watering or other preservative method) is required of the carrier.

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HOUSEHOLD GOODS TRANSPORTATION. See TRANSPORTATION. HHG.

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HOUSEHOLD GOODS-WEIGHT ADDITIVE. A weight added to the net weight of the household goods shipment to compensate for the excessive van space used by the item. <u>NOTE</u>: The item must be stated in the HHG tariff as qualifying for a weight additive before a charge can be assessed. Weight additives do not apply if an article is capable of being conveniently hand-carried by one person and/or transported in a standard moving carton.

HOUSE-HUNTING TRIP (HHT). Round trip travel between the old and new PDS for the purpose of seeking a permanent residence.

IMMEDIATE FAMILY. See DEPENDENT/IMMEDIATE FAMILY.

INTERVIEWEE. An individual who is being considered for employment by an agency. The individual may currently be a Government employee.

INVITATIONAL TRAVEL. See TRAVEL, INVITATIONAL.

ITINERARY, VARIATION IN. A change in routing of travel or points of TDY in connection with official business, justified by the mission nature and requirements.

LOCALITY RATES. Maximum per diem rates prescribed for specific localities.

LODGINGS-PLUS PER DIEM SYSTEM. The method of computing per diem allowances for official travel in which the per diem allowance for each travel day is established on the basis of the actual amount the traveler pays for lodging, plus an allowance for meals and incidental expenses (M&IE), the total of which does not exceed the applicable maximum per diem rate for the location concerned.

MEMBER (UNIFORMED SERVICES). A commissioned officer, commissioned warrant officer, and enlisted person, including a retired person, of the Uniformed Services. <u>NOTE</u>: "Retired person" includes members of the Fleet Reserve and Fleet Marine Corps Reserve who are in receipt of retainer pay.

MILEAGE (ALLOWANCE) - PERMANENT CHANGE OF STATION (PCS) TRAVEL, FIRST DUTY STATION TRAVEL, HOUSE HUNTING TRIP (HHT) AND SEPARATION TRAVEL.

A rate per mile for the authorized use of a privately-owned automobile during official PCS travel. The amount depends on the official distance for which the rate per mile may be paid under the circumstances (as determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of this regulation) and the number of authorized travelers transported. See par. C2505 for current rates.

MILEAGE (ALLOWANCE) - FOR LOCAL AND TDY TRAVEL. A rate per mile in lieu of reimbursement of actual POC operating expenses. See par. C2500 for current rates.

MISSING STATUS. The absence status of an employee who officially is carried or determined to be:

- A. missing;
- B. missing in action;
- C. interned in a foreign country;
- D. captured, beleaguered, or besieged by a hostile force; or
- E. involuntarily detained in a foreign country.

APPENDIX A

DEFINITIONS

PART II: ACRONYMS

AEA Actual Expense Allowance
AMC Air Mobility Command
AOR Area of Responsibility
ATM Automated Teller Machine

BAH Basic Allowance for Housing (formerly BAQ and VHA)

BAS Basic Allowance for Subsistence
CFR Code of Federal Regulations
CMTR Combined Marginal Tax Rate
COLA Cost-of-Living Allowance
CONUS Continental United States

COSTEP Commissioned Officer Student and Extern Program

CSRS Civil Service Retirement System
CTD Civilian Travel Determination

CTO (Contracted) Commercial Travel Offices

CWT Hundred weight

DDESS Domestic Dependent Elementary and Secondary School

DOD Department of Defense

DODDS Department of Defense Dependents Schools
DODEA Department of Defense Education Activity
DOHA Defense Office of Hearings and Appeals

DOJ Department of Justice

DSSR Department of State Standardized Regulations

DTOD Defense Table of Official Distances
DTR Defense Transportation Regulations

DTS Defense Travel System
EUM Essential Unit Messing
FAM Foreign Affairs Manual

FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency
FEML Funded Environmental and Morale Leave
FERS Federal Employees Retirement System
FHA Federal Housing Administration
FTA Foreign Transfer Allowance

FTR Federal Travel Regulation
FTS Federal Telecommunications System
*FWS U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

FUTA Federal Unemployment Tax Allowance

FWTR Federal Withholding Tax Rate GAO General Accounting Office

GARS Government Administrative Rate Supplement

GBL Government Bill of Lading
GMR Government Meal Rate

GOCO Government-Owned Contractor Operated

GSA General Services Administration

GSBCA General Services Administration Board of Contract Appeals

GTR Government Transportation Request (SF 1169)

HHG Household Goods
HHT House-hunting Trip
HOR Home of Record
IRC Internal Revenue Code
IRS Internal Revenue Service

ITO Installation Transportation Officer

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ITRA Income Tax Reimbursement Allowance
JFTR Joint Federal Travel Regulations

JTF Joint Task Force
JTR Joint Travel Regulations
LWOP Leave without Pay

M&IE Meals and Incidental Expenses

MALT Monetary Allowance in Lieu of Transportation

MALT PLUS Monetary Allowance in Lieu of Transportation Plus Flat Per Diem (PDT Travel)

MARS Military Affiliate Radio System
MEA Miscellaneous Expense Allowance

MIA Missing in Action

MOU Memorandum of Understanding MSC Military Sealift Command

MTMC Military Traffic Management Command

MTR Marginal Tax Rate

NIST National Institute of Standards and Technology

NOAA National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (Same as USNOAA)

NTE Not to exceed

NTS Nontemporary Storage
O&M Operations and Management

OCONUS Outside the Continental United States

OGE Office of Government Ethics
OMB Office of Management and Budget
OPM Office of Personnel Management
OSD Office of the Secretary of Defense

PBP&E Professional Books, Papers and Equipment

PCS Permanent Change of Station
PD Per Diem Determination
PDS Permanent Duty Station
PDT Permanent Duty Travel

PDTATAC Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee

PHS Public Health Service (Same as USPHS)

PIN Personal Identification Number
PITI Principal, Interest, Taxes and Insurance

PLEAD Place From Which Entered (or Called) to Active Duty

PMR Proportional Meal Rate
POA Privately Owned Automobile
POC Privately Owned Conveyance

PoC Point of Contact
POD Port of Debarkation
POE Port of Embarkation
POV Privately Owned Vehicle

POW Prisoner of War

PRO-Gear Professional Gear (also referred to as PBP&E)

PTA Prepaid Ticket Advice
RAT Renewal Agreement Travel
RIT Relocation Income Tax

SEA Subsistence Expense Allowance SES Senior Executive Service

SIT Storage in Transit

SMA Separate Maintenance Allowance SR&R Special Rest and Recuperative Absence SROTC Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps

SSN Social Security Number STB Surface Transportation Board

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STS Specialized Treatment Services
TCS Temporary Change of Station
TDRL Temporary Disability Retired List

TDY Temporary Duty

TGBL Through Government Bill of Lading
TLA Temporary Lodging Allowance
TLE Temporary Lodging Expense
TMC Travel Management Centers
TMS Travel Management System

TQSA Temporary Quarters Subsistence Allowance TQSE Temporary Quarters Subsistence Expenses

TQSE(AE) Actual Expense Reimbursement for Temporary Quarters Subsistence Expenses TQSE(F) Fixed Amount Reimbursement for Temporary Quarters Subsistence Expenses

UN United Nations
U.S. United States
U.S.C. United States Code

USNOAA United States National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

USPHS United States Public Health Service
USSM Under Secretary of State for Management

VA Department of Veterans Affairs
VPC Vehicle Processing Center
WAE When Actually Employed
WTA Withholding Tax Allowance

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APPENDIX E

INVITATIONAL TRAVEL AUTHORIZATIONS

PART IV: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE **CONTRACT CITY-PAIR PROGRAM**

1. How does the program work?

First, GSA concentrates the Government's market share to make the most of the competition available. The Government traveler's responsibility is to use the contract carrier. The Government's delivery of market share drives the program. So, to ensure the fares stay favorable, we encourage Federal travelers to stick to the contract carrier.

Second, GSA works with other Government agencies to make sure that the Federal traveler's needs and concerns are fully met. This ensures that you have a good choice of convenient and timely flights.

Third, GSA works in partnership with the airline industry and respects their concerns. For example, because the fares are so attractive, the airlines insist that only Federal employees traveling on official business be allowed to use them. With a few limited exceptions, no one else can use the Government rates. GSA understands and accepts this in order to bring you, the Federal Traveler, the Best Value in the Sky.

2. What are the advantages of the program?

- No advance purchases required.
- No minimum or maximum length of stay required,
- Fully refundable tickets and no charge for cancellations or changes,
- YCA seating not capacity controlled, (As long as there is a coach class seat on the plane, the traveler may purchase it),
- No blackout dates,
- Locked-in fares facilitate travel budgeting,
- 70% average savings over regular walk-up fares, and
- Fares are priced on one-way routes permitting agencies to plan multiple destinations.

3. Who can use it?

The City-Pair Program is so attractive that usage is strictly limited. There are a few exceptions, but in general, only Federal or military employees on official travel, may use the program with an appropriate form of payment (Government travel charge card or centrally-billed account or GTR).

4. Why can't contractors use it? It would save the government a lot of money!

GSA recognizes that contractors often sit next to Federal employees, work on the same projects as Federal employees, and travel with Federal employees. However, contractors are not Federal employees. All of the major airlines have made it clear to GSA that because the contract rates are so low and the terms so favorable, the airlines would drop out of the city-pair program rather than extend the contract rates to contractors. GSA has made the business decision not to jeopardize the program nor the \$2 billion savings it generates for taxpayers. GSA cautions agencies that the purchase of contract fare tickets on behalf of Government contractors is a misuse of the citypair program and could jeopardize its future success.

*5. Do I have to use the contract carrier? Won't any airline do?

Federal and military travelers on official business are required to use the contract carrier unless a specific exception

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applies. This required use is the incentive necessary to obtain airline participation in the city-pair program and allows the airlines the business volume necessary to offer discounted rates. Choosing not to use the contract carrier because of personal preference, frequent flyer clubs, etc., is a violation of the contract.

Commercial airfares can be highly volatile, so an exception to the mandatory use requirement allows government travelers to take advantage of any low commercial fares offered by non-contract carriers, if the fares are also offered to the general public. Non-contract fares that are offered only to government travelers (sometimes called "DG" fares) are not included in this exception. Also, if the contract carrier for the particular market offers the lower fare, you still must use them, but at the lower fare. Travelers that use this exception would have to abide by the many restrictions that typically go along with lower commercial fares. Restrictions on discounted commercial fares usually include: non-refundability, change or cancellation fees, minimum or maximum stay requirements or extended calendar blackout periods. Additional exceptions to the use of the contract carrier are:

- a. Space or a scheduled contract flight is not available in time to accomplish the purpose of your travel, or use of contract service would require you to incur unnecessary overnight lodging costs which would increase the total cost of the trip; or
- b. The contractor's flight schedule is inconsistent with explicit policies of your Federal department or agency with regard to scheduling travel during normal working hours; or
- c. Rail service is available, and such service is cost effective and is consistent with mission requirements; or
- d. Smoking is permitted on the contract flight and the nonsmoking section of the aircraft for the contract flight is not acceptable to the traveler.

6. If I have been authorized to use a business class fare, do I have to use the contract carrier?

Yes, the City Pair Program contracts are mandatory for both coach and business-class service. If business-class service has been authorized in accordance with the JFTR/JTR, then use of contract business-class fares is mandatory.

7. What makes it the best value? Isn't it just low bid?

Absolutely not. Awards are made after measuring both quality of service and price. This allows an award to be made to a higher priced carrier if that carrier has superior service.

8. How is Quality of Service Evaluated?

A minimum service standard is set for each city-pair. This minimum applies to the number of flights per day in each direction (the range is between 2 and 8), a maximum of one connection, a maximum ground time (90 minutes domestic, 180 minutes international) and limits on circuity (how far out of the way the carrier can take you.)

To determine best value, a technical evaluation is conducted to evaluate the quality of each offeror's service based on the following considerations:

- a. Time and Type of Service: This factor looks for flights offered throughout the day. Nonstop service, at convenient times, scores best under this factor.
- b. Flight Time: This factor looks for the shortest total flight times, based on each carrier's routing. Nonstop service scores best under this factor.
- c. Number and Type of Flights: This factor considers the number of flights offered throughout the day, in order to provide the traveler with several choices. Carriers with lots of nonstop flights score best under this factor.

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d. Jet Service: This factor gives preference to jets over propeller aircraft. All these factors are weighed against price and a best value decision is made.

9. Why isn't every award for nonstop service?

Even though nonstop service is heavily favored, it is not always available or the best value. Some of the reasons that connect service is awarded are as follows

- There is no nonstop carrier for a specific route.
- The nonstop carrier did not offer on the city-pair. Some carriers have so much traffic on certain routes that they do not want the Government business for the route.
- The nonstop carrier did not meet the minimum requirements as outlined in the RFP. For example, the nonstop flights might be too late at night to be beneficial for our Federal traveler.
- The non-stop carrier has offered an unreasonably high price.
- The connect service carrier has offered a fare so low that it was the best overall value, even considering all the advantages of nonstop service.

10. Can't GSA make a carrier add nonstop service?

No. Even though the City-Pair Program is huge, with sales well over \$1 billion per year, it still represents only about 2% of the airlines business. Unless the commercial traffic warrants it, a carrier will not add a new route or improved service levels for the Government.

11. Can you require the airlines to offer smoke free international flights?

GSA is buying a commercial service under the same terms and conditions as other buyers. Thus, GSA does not have the authority to require the airlines to offer smoke free flights. However, the Department of Transportation is working closely with the airline industry to encourage them to offer smoke free flights. There is an exception in the contract to the use of the contract carrier when smoking is permitted on the contract flight (see paragraph 5, above, last exception listed).

*12. Can I use a contract fare for personal travel? What if the personal travel is being taken in conjunction with official government travel?

No. Use of contract fares is limited to official travel only. If personal travel is being taken in conjunction with official government travel, the contract fares cannot be used for that portion of the trip that is personal. <u>NOTE</u>: Gov't funded travel to and from RAT leave locations and when ordered TDY while on leave is official travel and therefore contract fares may be used to and from this leave location (see JTR, pars. C4162 and C4440 for RAT).

Example:

Travel authorization states the official travel itinerary as:

From: Atlanta, GA

To: San Francisco, CA and

Return to Atlanta, GA

City-pair one-way contract fare from Atlanta, GA, to San Francisco, CA, is \$251 with United Airlines. Round trip totals \$502.

For personal reasons, employee wants to go to Chicago for several days resulting in the following:

From: Atlanta, GA
To: Chicago, IL

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From: Chicago, IL

To: San Francisco, CA and

Return to Atlanta, GA

Since the itinerary portion from Atlanta to Chicago and Chicago to San Francisco is for personal reasons, the traveler is not authorized to use the city-pair contract fares for these trip portions. Commercial fares are applicable to this trip portion with the maximum cost to the Government of \$251. The city-pair contract fare is applicable only to the trip portion from San Francisco, CA, to Atlanta, GA, with United Airlines at \$251.

*NOTE: The traveler is responsible for any additional costs when, for personal convenience, a circuitous route is used or the traveler interrupts a direct travel route (e.g., by taking an unauthorized overnight en route). Reimbursement in this case is limited to the transportation cost by a usually traveled direct route on an uninterrupted basis (e.g., \$502).

13. Can I combine two contract fares to save money?

If there is a contract fare for the route, the answer is no. If there is no contract fare for the route, the answer is yes.

14. How do I know whether or not there is a contract fare?

Contract fares are identifiable because they normally carry the fare designator YCA. You can ask your Travel Management Center (TMC) or (Contracted) Commercial Travel Office (CTO) or check on the following city-pair website: http://pub.fss.gsa.gov/citypairs/.

15. Why does the Government have to pay the Airline Passenger Excise tax? Isn't it exempt from taxes?

The Federal Government is often exempted from state and local taxes. However, the airline passenger excise tax is a federal tax and the Federal Government is subject to it.

16. I live in a city with multiple airports. What is the rule regarding what airport I must use when traveling on official Government business?

Travelers can use the airport which best suits their needs in cities with multiple airports, unless otherwise prohibited by their agency. Cities with multiple airports include, Chicago, Dallas/Fort Worth, Detroit, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco and Washington, DC.

17. The topic refers to a new program for FY02. If fares are booked "early" the Gov't receives a discount to the normal City Pairs Fare. But my question is: How early is early? Thank you!

We are encouraging the Government travelers to book their reservations as early as possible. Once you have decided that a trip is necessary, the reservation should be made. The earlier the reservation the better the chances are that you will receive the additional savings (capacity control fares).

For more information on GSA's Airline City Pairs Program, see the GSA website at

<u>http://www.fss.gsa.gov/citypairs/</u>, or contact one of the following PoCs below. Phone access should be used *only* by those without access to the internet.

Ms. Linda L. Smith Contract Specialist (703) 305-7640 Ms. Andrea Dingle Contracting Officer (703) 305-6190

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AUTHORIZED REST AND RECUPERATION (R&R) LOCATIONS/DESTINATIONS

<u>NOTE 1</u>: See JFTR, par. U7300 (uniformed members) and JTR, par. C6750 (civilian employees) for regulations concerning Funded Rest And Recuperative (R&R) Leave Transportation.

NOTE 2: The footnoted locations are authorized R&R for specific missions only!

The following are authorized Rest and Recuperation (R&R) locations/destinations *for members of the Uniformed Services and for civilian employees:*

Authorized R&R Location Afghanistan 2/	Command Region Central	Authorized OCONUS Destination Frankfurt, Germany and then to airport	Authorized CONUS Destination APOD (Atlanta, Georgia Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas	Re-certification Due Date 30 September 2005
		closest to leave point	Los Angeles, California Baltimore, Maryland) and then to airport closest to leave point	
Albania	European	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 March 2002
Bahrain 2/	Central	Frankfurt, Germany and then to airport closest to leave point	APOD (Atlanta, Georgia Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas Los Angeles, California Baltimore, Maryland) and then to airport closest to leave point	30 September 2005
Bosnia- Herzegovina	European	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 March 2002
Croatia	European	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 March 2002
Djibouti 2/	Central	Frankfurt, Germany and then to airport closest to leave point	APOD (Atlanta, Georgia Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas Los Angeles, California Baltimore, Maryland) and then to airport closest to leave point	30 September 2005
Hungary	European	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 March 2002
Iraq 2/	Central	Frankfurt, Germany and then to airport closest to leave point	APOD (Atlanta, Georgia Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas Los Angeles, California Baltimore, Maryland) and then to airport closest to leave point	30 September 2005
Joint Task Force - South West Asia (JTF-SWA) 1/	Central	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 December 2002

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Jordan 2/	Central	Frankfurt, Germany and then to airport closest to leave point	APOD (Atlanta, Georgia Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas Los Angeles, California Baltimore, Maryland) and then to airport closest to leave point	30 September 2005
Kuwait 2/	Central	Frankfurt, Germany and then to airport closest to leave point	APOD (Atlanta, Georgia Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas Los Angeles, California Baltimore, Maryland) and then to airport closest to leave point	30 September 2005
Kyrgyzstan 2/	Central	Frankfurt, Germany and then to airport closest to leave point	APOD (Atlanta, Georgia Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas Los Angeles, California Baltimore, Maryland) and then to airport closest to leave point	30 September 2005
Macedonia, Former Yugoslavia Republic of	European	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 March 2002
Montenegro	European	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 March 2002
Oman 2/	Central	Frankfurt, Germany and then to airport closest to leave point	APOD (Atlanta, Georgia Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas Los Angeles, California Baltimore, Maryland) and then to airport closest to leave point	30 September 2005
Pakistan 2/	Central	Frankfurt, Germany and then to airport closest to leave point	APOD (Atlanta, Georgia Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas Los Angeles, California Baltimore, Maryland) and then to airport closest to leave point	30 September 2005
Qatar 2	Central	Frankfurt, Germany and then to airport closest to leave point	APOD (Atlanta, Georgia Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas Los Angeles, California Baltimore, Maryland) and then to airport closest to leave point	30 September 2005
Saudi Arabia 2	Central	Frankfurt, Germany and then to airport closest to leave point	Atlanta, Georgia Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas Los Angeles, California Baltimore, Maryland and then to airport closest to leave point	30 September 2005
Serbia	European	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 March 2002
Slovenia	European	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 March 2002

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Tajikistan 2/	Central	Frankfurt, Germany	APOD (Atlanta, Georgia	30 September 2005
		and then to airport	Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas	_
		closest to leave	Los Angeles, California	
		point	Baltimore, Maryland) and	
			then to airport closest to	
			leave point	
United Arab	Central	Frankfurt, Germany	APOD (Atlanta, Georgia	30 September 2005
Emirates 2/		and then to airport	Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas	_
		closest to leave	Los Angeles, California	
		point	Baltimore, Maryland) and	
			then to airport closest to	
			leave point	
Uzbekistan 2/	Central	Frankfurt, Germany	APOD (Atlanta, Georgia	30 September 2005
		and then to airport	Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas	•
		closest to leave	Los Angeles, California	
		point	Baltimore, Maryland) and	
			then to airport closest to	
			leave point	
Yemen 2/	Central	Frankfurt, Germany	APOD (Atlanta, Georgia	30 September 2005
		and then to airport	Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas	
		closest to leave	Los Angeles, California	
		point	Baltimore, Maryland) and	
			then to airport closest to	
			leave point	

^{1/} Only for the mission of Operation Southern Watch.

^{2/} Only for those providing support to Operations ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM. Before 19 December 2003, the authorized destination was to the APOD only. Effective 19 December 2003 the authorized destination is to the APOD and then to the airport closest to the leave point.